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E.O. 12085: GDS GDS 4/25/86 (DAVIS, MICHAEL) OR-M
TAGS: PIAT, NPOL, ASEC, MOPS, BA
SUBJECT: REUTERS REPORT ON ALLEGED BAHRAIN FUELING STOP FOR TEHRAN RESCUE MISSION

REF: A. KUWAIT 2050 E. STATE 109161

1. (C ENTIRE TEXT)

2. CHARGE CONTACTED THIS MORNING BY LOCAL REUTERS CORRESPONDENT ASKING FOR COMMENT ON SAME STORY FROM KUL ISRAEL CITED IN KUWAIT REFTEL ON ALLEGED BAHRAIN REFUELING STOP FOR TEHRAN RESCUE MISSION AIRCRAFT. CORRESPONDENT SAID HIS BAHRAIN GOVERNMENT SOURCES

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DENIED BAHRAINI INVOLVEMENT.

3. WE RESPONDED THAT WE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT THE ABORTED RESCUE MISSION BEYOND THE INFORMATION IN TEXT OF THE PRESIDENTS' STATEMENT.

4. WE WERE ALSO CALLED THIS AFTERNOON BY LOCAL PRESS ASKING FOR OUR COMMENT ABOUT ALLEGED ABC REPORT OUT OF NEW YORK SAYING THAT US AIRCRAFT AND DOWNED FROM TEHRAN RESCUE MISSION ARE PRESENTLY IN BAHRAIN. REPORTED SAID MINISTRY OF INFORMATION SPOKESMAN HAD DENIED ABC REPORT.

5. GIVEN GOS SENSITIVITY TO IESTER, ESPECIALLY US, PRESS DISTORTIONS OF BAHRAIN, AND GIVEN TOUCHY SECURITY SITUATION CURRENTLY PREVAILING HERE, WE CAN EXPECT TO BE CLOSELY QUERIED BY GOS SATURDAY ON THESE PRESS REPORTS.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: WE AGREE WITH KUWAIT THAT A QUICK DEPARTMENT OR WHITE HOUSE DENIAL OR CLARIFICATION IS NECESSARY. PLEASE INFORM US ASAP.

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